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"It's not a blob that they are giving up. It's potential and purpose in life."

A second chance at life

Lecturer's close call leads her to advise against abortions

Christine M. Tamer
Staff writer

Each year after the candles are blown out and the cake is sliced, Kai'lah James calls her mother to thank her. Not for a birthday present, but for saving her life.

"My parents were in college when they got pregnant with me," James, a full-time communication studies lecturer, said. "My mom had to make a decision of what to do, and people told her that they felt like she should abort me."

Part 2 of a 3-part series on students and parenthood

Her mother made the decision not to get an abortion and to marry James' father.

"My grandfather, who was chair of the education board and chair of the deacons, told her that God gave you that child, and you should keep that child," James said.

As a result of her mother's experience, James has a passion for helping students who find themselves pregnant and unmarried.

"At Baylor it is pretty taboo to walk around campus with a big belly and not be married," James said.

Interim University Chaplain Byron Weathersbee said pregnant students are not "kicked out" of Baylor.

"The myth that has been around since I was in school back in the '80s is that if an unwed mother became pregnant, she was kicked out of school," Weathersbee said. "It is a myth."

Bethany McCraw, associate dean of judicial and legal student services, said students are almost always allowed to attend classes.

"A student who is dealing with any type of medical condition, regardless of what the condition might be, is certainly allowed to attend classes if the condition does not prevent her from doing so," she said.



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Kai'lah James, a full-time lecturer, was nearly aborted when her mother became pregnant while still in college. James now gives advice to students in similar situations as her parents.

Pregnant students often approach her for advice.

"I just tell them my story," James said. "I tell them it might seem like a really short-term decision, or that to have an abortion would be a quick fix, but I encourage them to just look at my face and to see a real-life picture of a baby who was allowed to come to their full potential."

The pregnant women who have approached her are usually nervous that their parents will disown them, James said.

"I tell them that they need to tell their parents and that their parents won't disown them," she said. "But if they do, then my husband and I would take them in, and we would help them go to school

and take care of the baby and all the expenses that come along with them."

After talking to James, the women then decided to talk to their families and keep their babies, James said.

"I feel like I've been able to impact people in my life, and wouldn't have that opportunity

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Researchers study couples

Strong relationships associated with better communication

By Laura Frase
Staff writer

Everybody knows the bickering married couple that causes a scene at restaurants and shops, arguing about why she can't cook or why he refuses to take out the garbage.

What everybody might not know is that couple may have a healthier relationship than couples who aren't as open with their feelings, according to a marriage research program conducted by Dr. Keith Sanford, a clinical psychologist and an associate professor of psychology and neuroscience.

Sanford offers free marriage assessments to Central Texas married couples but discourages Baylor students from participating because Baylor undergraduate and graduate students assisting in the assessments.

Sanford began research last semester and observed 30 couples. He said he plans to continue his research until the researchers study at least 80 couples, which he estimated

would take another year.

Sanford's research focuses on communication between couples and attempts to determine what leads to good or bad communication and how couples use it.

Sanford said communication can determine satisfaction, happiness, susceptibility to disease, the longevity of a relationship and even immune system function and levels of stress, domestic violence, alcoholism and depression.

There are two assessment sessions in the research program. During the first session, couples complete a questionnaire about their relationship, and at the second session, couples receive feedback based on their responses.

"It's not marriage counseling," said Liza Maldonado, a Progresso Lakes graduate student and one of five graduates conducting the study. "It's more giving them an idea of their communication styles and where these stand in comparison to those of couples in healthy relationships."

Through the free marriage assessments, Sanford discovered the need for conflict in a

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Baylor fitness ranks near top

By Grace Maalouf
Reporter

The foyer of Moody Memorial Library is unusually quiet for a weekday.

Sunlight streams in through giant window panes Thursday, and from the table where Spring senior Kristin Savior sits studying, she can glance out on the grassy expanse of Fountain Mall and see multiple games of football in progress.

On nearby Russell Field, Frisbees and even more footballs are being tossed around next to a sand pit that often plays host to spirited volleyball games late into the night.

Further across campus, students lift weights and run at the McLane Student Life Center and will continue to do so until midnight closing time forces them out.

So it comes as no surprise to Savior that a survey conducted by *Men's Fitness* magazine in conjunction with *The Princeton Review*, just ranked Baylor the ninth-fittest college in the United States Tuesday.

"There seems to be a huge push towards fitness here," Savior said. "One of the first things you do as a freshman is go to the SLC to see all the programs

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Ambassador says U.S. too uninformed

By Kris Firth
Reporter

In America, people can see mountains, beaches, lakes, canyons and deserts without ever leaving the country. Here, we speak the same language, are ruled by the same government and protected by the same military.

There is no reason to leave. And there is no real reason to care about the rest of the world.

That's a problem, said Hans Redlef Arnold, former head of the German Foreign Office and

ambassador to the United Nations. Arnold spoke Thursday night at Bennett Auditorium to increase American awareness of foreign affairs, specifically between Germany and America.

"It is difficult to get across foreign news and policies that happen far away," Arnold said.

In Europe, countries are physically attached to each other, therefore they must interact on some level, Arnold said. They can be good relations or bad, coalition or war. Either way, that idea does not exist in America.

American foreign policy is all

overseas, he said.

Up until World War I, U.S. relations with the rest of the world were punctual, meaning directly involved with one country or another. Now, globalization has brought the world onto one platform of constant interaction, Arnold said.

"In our current globalized world, the U.S. is right in the middle of every political activity," Arnold said.

Yet many Americans, especially students, are unaware of foreign relations and policies, Arnold said.

"Baylor students don't read or care about international affairs. They're more focused on their studies," said Matthew King, a Tyler senior. King said he is frustrated by the lack of knowledge students have towards foreign affairs.

"The United States is one of the last remaining super powers in the world. It's important to know what's going on internationally since our policies affect the policies of other nations," King said.

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Hans Redlef Arnold, German ambassador to the United Nations, spoke Thursday at Baylor about the United States' isolation from the rest of the world.

Professor C. Clifton Black speaks Thursday at the George W. Truett Theological Seminary about the late musician Johnny Cash's devotion to Jesus Christ and how he intertwined his faith and his music.



Kristina Bateman/Lariat staff

Man in black sheds light on theology of Cash

By Claire St. Amant
Reporter

Johnny Cash may never have stepped foot in a seminary or given a sermon from the pulpit, but his personal story of struggle and redemption offers a unique biblical commentary.

Top New Testament scholar and Princeton seminary professor C. Clifton Black delivered a lecture on "The Gospel According to Johnny Cash: The New Testament and the crafting of a public theology," to a stand-

ing-room-only crowd at Paul and Katy Piper Great Hall in the George W. Truett Theological Seminary on Thursday afternoon. The lecture was part of the Minett and Huber Leland Drumwright Colloquium in New Testament studies.

Sporting a tuxedo, Black said, "I don't normally dress like this to speak at Princeton, but it was the blackest suit I could find."

Highlighting the differences between the award-winning movie *Walk the Line*, which starred Reese Witherspoon and

Joaquin Phoenix, and Cash's true career, Black described this popular musician in a way that is rarely done in the public sphere.

"The simple story is of a little boy named J.R. Cash, who turned a rough childhood into chart-topping country music," Black said. "But the far more fascinating story is one of a man who truly learned the meaning of the words redemption and grace through his own bad decisions and who used his music to address those themes."

Black paused three different times to play songs by Cash, but he didn't pick the traditional "gospel" tracks. Instead, Black pointed out the underlying religious themes in Cash's more popular, secular music.

One of Cash's most famous songs, "Walk the Line," is certainly about fidelity in marriage, but it is also about personal faithfulness to Christ, Black said. Drawing parallels from the book of Psalms and Romans,

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Football predictions similar to playing guessing game

Apparently, picking who's going to win college football games isn't as easy as just looking at the point spread and deciding from there.

Each week, I and three other *Lariat* staffers pick winners from what sports editor Daniel Youngblood sees as the most intriguing games of the week.

So, each week on Wednesday or Thursday we all sit around and talk about the upcoming games.

We discuss who's injured, how key players have performed, and which player got arrested for driving around Austin with a 9 mm handgun in his lap.

And the thing that I've learned in our month of picking games is that about 1/3 of the time it's a complete guess.

There's no formula to college football and most of the time, the bookies in Las Vegas' pick as the favorite rarely is.

This week is no exception, because not a single game on the schedule should shape up to be a blowout.

Missouri against Texas Tech has the most potential to be an offensively explosive game. Each offense has struggled rarely this season.

Coming off a 400-yard passing performance, Kansas should be able to throw the ball all over a pathetic Texas A&M secondary.

Nebraska and Iowa State renew their old rivalry, one that historically has been dominated by Nebraska. But don't be fooled by the Cyclones' lackluster per-

sports take



BY JORDAN DANIEL

formance against Division I-AA Northern Iowa. The Cyclones will take it to the Huskers this weekend.

The least interesting game this week is Oklahoma State and Kansas State. These are two teams searching for identities, and the winner will be the more talented team, the Cowboys.

Aside from our beloved Bears, the most intriguing game of the week is the Red River Rivalry between the Longhorns and the

Sooners.

Both teams are extremely talents, but both teams also have unproven quarterbacks.

But that's what makes college football so much better than any other sport.

There are so many other variables you have to take into account that most of the professional analysts have no idea about.

Who just broke up with his girlfriend? Which key starter had three tests this week and didn't get all the sleep he needs? Yes, all this could be said about every college sport, but let's face it, no other collegiate sport is nearly as popular or important as football.

Currently I sit in last place, which is fine with me because

I don't have any stake in who finishes with the best record at the end of the year, but I have to give myself credit where credit is due; I made some picks early in the season that I was mocked for but actually came to fruition.

When my competitors were picking the Texas Tech-TCU game to be a high-scoring affair, I picked the final score to be 11-8. The final score was 12-3. When they were picking 30-point blowouts by Texas A&M over Army, I picked the Aggies by a single point. The final score was 28-24.

What can I really say? I guess I really know my stuff, or I'm just getting really lucky, which doesn't bode well for me if I ever want to get out of the cellar.

But I finally took the first step toward respectability last week, raking up a 6-0 record and closing the gap between my non-upset-picking competition and me.

This week I'm going out on a limb, guaranteeing that I finish the weekend undefeated and gain yet another game on my peers.

This all starts Saturday with the Bears, who for the sixth straight week I'm picking to win.

And I plan on continuing to pick Baylor every game this year, because after all, how much fun would college football be if we didn't pick an upset every now and then?

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Editorial

Citizens must be responsible for schools

If children aren't safe in an Amish schoolhouse in rural Pennsylvania, then where can they be safe?

The horrific influx in school shootings and threats of shooting in the last two weeks has left America sick at its stomach. Our next generation, our brothers and sisters, our children, are going to school each day under a cloud of questions: Could that happen here?

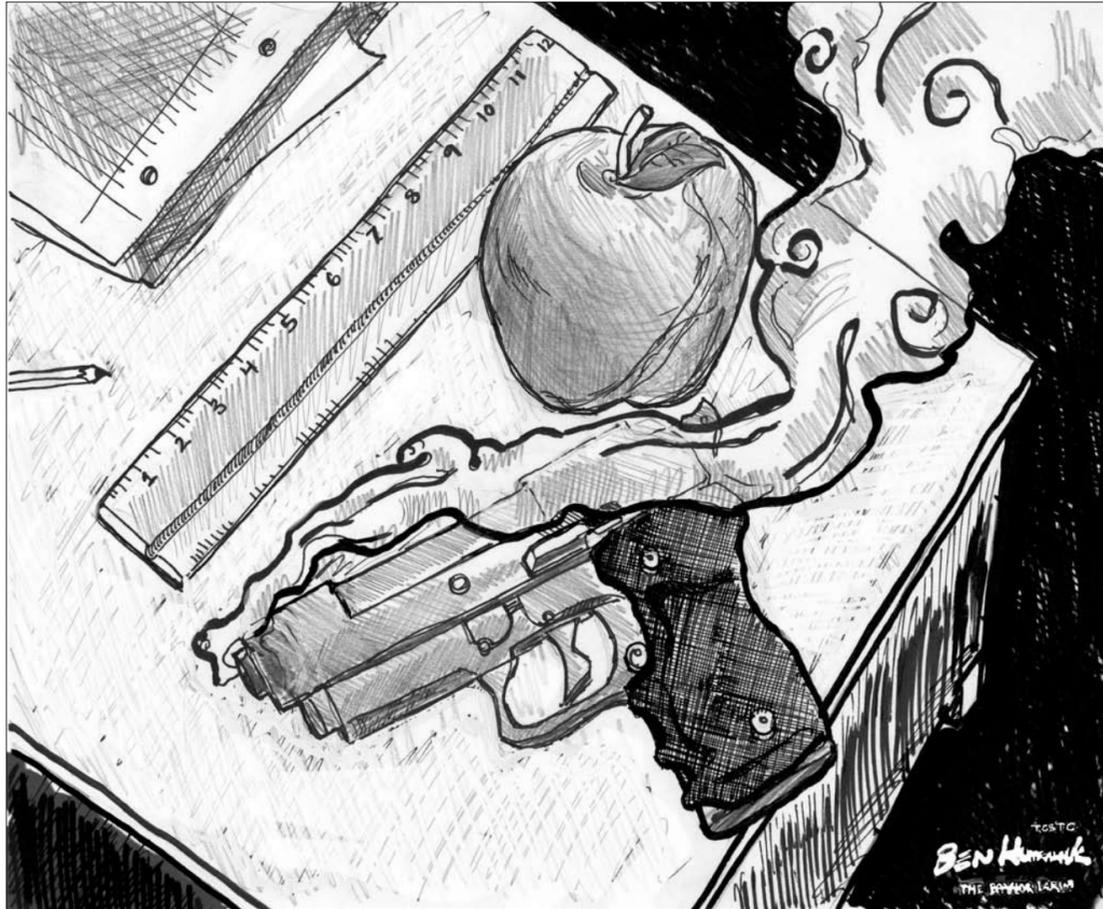
We hope and pray this sickening trend will end now.

President Bush has vowed in meetings with leaders like Education Secretary Margaret Spellings and Attorney General Alberto Gonzales to help local communities beef up security at schools.

His mantra, "Our schoolchildren should never fear (for) their safety when they enter into a classroom," no doubt would focus on things like metal detectors at school entrances and required identification badges.

These preventative measures are a good start and will probably deter some potential violence, but they ignore the bigger issue at hand: guns.

All the metal detectors and ID badges in world can't prevent a bullet from being shot out of a gun. If someone wants to get into a school, he or she will find a way to do it. Of course we know not everyone who owns a gun is careless or irresponsible with



its power.

But people with mental problems — including those who committed these recent crimes had — do not need to have access to weapons, period.

The only logical solution to this problem is to step up the criteria for owning a gun — or knife or whatever — and make it near impossible for anyone with a mental problem, diagnosed or not, to come near them.

This is a healthy first step, but it

still falls short of where we need to be to adequately protect our children.

People are going to do bad things whether laws are in place or not. Usually the only person affected by new laws is the law-abiding citizen.

So instead of putting all of the responsibility on the Legislature to make a change, the American public needs to take on some responsibility, too. We need to be charged with keeping our children safe, no matter what.

If it means keeping an eye out on the creepy neighbor next door, so be it. If it's turning in relatives who illegally own guns, so be it. If it means we have to do a little extra work and pay a little more attention, then so be it.

Enough is enough, and shootings at schools are beyond ridiculous. They're horrific and sick.

Step up and take responsibility for the security of those who will follow after us.

Letters to the editor

Bible refutes RFIDs

I've said it before, and I'll say it again: Do not take that chip!

Radio Frequency Identification isn't the mark of the beast, but it is the precursor to it.

The mark of the beast is the name and number of Satan himself, the number 666, and RFID is setting the stage for it. It's desensitizing people so that when the actual mark of the beast hits the scene, people will fall right into the trap.

In Tuesday's *Lariat*, there was an editorial titled "ID tags not sign of Satan," and for someone to blatantly say that, tell me why. The article was written solely on opinion, not

substance.

I completely disagree with the viewpoint of the author. Now this is my personal opinion, but I have documentation: the Bible.

In the editorial, regarding the reason people feel the way I feel about the identification chip, it stated, "This may be due to a resistance to change or an old-dog-can't-learn-new-tricks mentality. Or perhaps the new technology is misconstrued as the mark of the beast."

I feel that perhaps this point of view is due to people reading their Bibles, therefore removing them from denial as a state of mind. Check Matthew 24 and Revelation 13.

As a matter of fact, read the whole Bible.

The editorial also stated, "ZIP codes, shopping centers, transistors and credit cards were considered the 'mark of the devil' before they were mainstream, too." That entire statement is refuted and irrelevant because ZIP codes and credit cards aren't injected into the skin. Point blank.

Every generation feels it is the generation that's living in the end times simply because history repeats itself, and the Bible is the same today, tomorrow and forever. The Bible is relevant to all time periods. But the signs are here, people!

Someone wants to inject a

microchip into your body; how much clearer can it be?

Another thing the article stated was, "Until people can't buy bread and milk unless they have a chip implanted in their arm, it's much too early to claim that an RFID tag is the mark of the beast." Well, that's a little too late, don't you think?

So, the one thing I agreed with in the entire article was the notion that RFID will make life "easier," but is it worth the price you'd have to pay? Eternal damnation is the cost, according to Revelation 14:9-11. No, it's not worth it.

There's one last thing I'd like to dispute: "Instead of labeling things we don't understand 'the

devil,' consumers should educate themselves and embrace a new technology."

I believe that if people educated themselves about the word of God, Jesus Christ that is, then people wouldn't be coerced into believing lies, therefore realizing the day and time in which we're living in.

The Bible, the B-I-B-L-E: Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth. Read it. That's what it's here for.

Hosea 4:6 reads, "My people are destroyed for the lack of knowledge." A lot of people will be destroyed. And again I say, do not take that chip!

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English language program expands to new locations

LEAF teaches BU staff English language

By Lizza Lopez and Grace Maalouf Reporters

Five years ago, Dr. Randy Wood was working with a group of his students who were tutoring kids at University Middle School.

In talking to the children there, he found that 92 percent of them came from families that couldn't read, write or speak English. So Wood, professor of education, and Dr. Robin Rogers, professor of social work and director of Baylor's Center of Literacy, decided to create the Learning English Among Friends program to help parents and other adults in the community improve their English language skills.

"This program is really about family literacy," Rogers said. "We encourage parents to work with their children."

Since the fall of 2003, LEAF has been held every Thursday at Cesar Chavez Middle School and drawn about 150 participants.

The program expanded to

Carver Middle School about two weeks ago and is starting at University Middle School, Brazos Middle School, Lake Air Middle School, Tennyson Middle School and Waco High School later this semester.

Allen Ware, the program's coordinator, said hopes to see the program grow even more in the Waco community.

"I want to see this being planted in as many places as possible and see its roots grow strong," Ware said.

Dr. Fred Loa, professor of Spanish and a LEAF volunteer, said the program's location helps parents become more familiar and comfortable with their children's learning environment.

"If there's an issue with the kids at school, they come in and talk to administrators," Loa said. "They're no longer afraid of this place."

The success of LEAF at Cesar Chavez Middle School prompted student government, Baylor Housekeeping Services and Baylor School of Education to join forces and start LEAF at Baylor in 2004.

"We've implemented the classes into the workday for our housekeepers," Jose Castro, as-

sistant director of housekeeping said. Housekeepers interested in being tutored by Baylor students are surveyed and placed in small groups according to language level.

Castro said the group size is one of the best things about the program, since it helps students and employees build close relationships. This in turn helps the housekeepers become more comfortable and feel more confident about learning the language, Castro said.

As extra motivation to participate in the program, the housekeepers get paid while they're in class, Castro said.

This semester, more than 40 housekeepers have signed up for the program.

Maria Tello, a housekeeper from Guanajuato, Mexico, is new to the program. She's lived in the United States for three years and worked at Baylor for two.

"I want to be able to ask the students how their day is going," Tello said in Spanish. "I want, more than anything, to be able to speak two languages."

Allan Marshall, external vice president, has made the program one of his priorities.

"The housekeepers do such



Henry Chan/Lariat staff

Elizabeth Barrientos, from left, Sanjuana Galan, Maria Galan, Edith Galan and Edith Rodriguez gather around a table after a Learning English Among Friends meeting Thursday at Cesar Chavez Middle School. Sanjuana said the LEAF program has not only helped her at work, but also when she comes to Parent and Teacher Association meetings.

a big service for us," Marshall said. "We're blessed to have them there to do that."

Marshall said hopes student tutors will return the service by being fully committed to the program. Ware agrees.

"The backbone of the pro-

gram is people who are willing to dedicate that time," Ware said.

Scott Perez, a New Braunfels senior, has been volunteering with LEAF at Baylor since it began.

"It's been good to see the la-

dies really learn and be able to say simple words like pencil on paper," Perez said. "You don't get paid, but it's still rewarding to see them smile."

Ware said 20 volunteers are needed to staff classes projected to start in mid-October.

Wiener dogs go to new lengths to earn race bragging rights

By Claire St. Amant Reporter

The top dog never looked so tiny.

The national wiener dog title is at stake this weekend at The Heart O' Texas Fairgrounds. Okay, maybe that's stretching it a bit, said special events chairwoman Rosemary Mayes.

"We can call it whatever we want, but it is really about brag-

ging rights," Mayes said.

The 10th annual competition will take place at 3 p.m. Saturday at the HOT Coliseum. The race is scheduled annually to coincide with the HOT Fair and Rodeo.

Last year, 100 dogs were registered, Mayes said, but this year already has made history for a reason other than enrollment. A dog hailing from Missouri is registered for the race, marking

the first time a dog outside of Texas will compete.

"It really is exciting to have another state represented," Mayes said.

As far as Mayes knows, there isn't actually an organized national race, but many states host their own competitions.

Before Missouri, the farthest distance a dog had traveled for the race was from Fort Worth and the surrounding areas,

Mayes said.

The race is set up in roughly 12 heats according to weight, ranging from lightweights at 5 to 6 pounds to heavyweights who can reach more than 20 pounds. The winner of each weight division competes in a semifinal, and the top six dogs advance to the championship round.

A team of 400 volunteers handles the special events for HOT, including the wiener dog races,

said executive assistant and office manager Melinda Moss.

The volunteers are grouped into committees to organize all the specifics.

"Without our volunteers, the wiener dog races wouldn't be possible," Moss said.

While the event is free and open to the public, registration costs \$3 and requires a vaccination record. Participants can bring their dogs and the proper

documentation to the Coliseum on Saturday to sign up.

"We want to make sure everyone who wants to participate has an opportunity to do so," Mayes said.

No proof of purebred dachshund lineage is required, and any variation of the wiener dog is encouraged to compete.

"We don't discriminate, but to be fair, only wiener dogs are allowed to race," Mayes said.

Student Senate allocates \$3,500 to seminar

By Van Darden Staff writer

Student Senate voted unanimously Thursday to approve a bill allocating \$3,500 from the Student Life Fund to the Medical Service Organization to present a CPR certification seminar for about 120 people. The seminar will be free to participants.

The event, tentatively scheduled for Nov. 11, would teach students, faculty and staff proper CPR and automatic external defibrillator use.

Plano senior Jacqueline Simpson, a Medical Service Organization member, said that automatic external defibrillators have already saved the lives of three people on campus, including two professors.

"Our basic goal with this event is to provide both the Baylor and Waco communities with awareness and access to defibrillator and general lifesaving education," Simpson said.

Ben Robert, assistant coordi-

nator for Student Life facilities, said it's important for everybody to be trained in CPR and in the use of automatic external defibrillators.

"Incidents are not necessarily going to happen right where there's a trained professional nearby," Robert said.

"At some point in a person's life, especially with the prevalence of heart disease in this country, they're going to experience an event and they need to know what to do."

Patricia Harrison, director of Waco's chapter of the American Heart Association, echoed Robert's assertion.

"Heart disease is the number one killer in the U.S. and heart attacks can happen anywhere," Harrison said. "A person is more likely to help save a life if they're certified."

Simpson said studies have shown that most people wouldn't stop to help someone lying on the ground. Most people fear making injuries worse.

"We want to make sure that this doesn't happen," she said.

The event would consist of two classes in the morning and two classes in the afternoon, each with about 30 people.

Simpson said event participants will be certified through the American Heart Association's Heartsaver CPR program and will learn through a series of videos, demonstrations and hands-on skills training.

"We hope to have events like this every semester and at least once a year," Simpson said.

She said if more than 120 people sign up for the event, Medical Service Organization will host another training event later in the semester.

Event registration is first come, first served. Simpson said Medical Service Organization would open up registration to the entire Waco community.

Harrison said being CPR certified is a valuable life skill, regardless of a person's occupation or age.

"Surprisingly, CPR is normally something that will be performed on a family member because more times than not, heart attacks happen at the home," Harrison said. "But CPR is beneficial in drowning incidents, suffocation or electrocutions."

Robert stressed not putting off getting trained in CPR, due to the ease and simplicity of certification.

"It's not a matter of if an incident will occur, but when," Robert said.

Harrison said that although some people might be certified, they might be reluctant to perform CPR.

"We have a saying," Harrison said. "Good CPR is better than bad CPR, but bad CPR is still better than no CPR."

Simpson said registration will soon be accessible online with an interactive Website and that Medical Service Organization will offer brochures with registration forms.

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Bed Races
 Alpha Tau Omega will host the annual Bed Races at 4 p.m. today. Come to Fifth St. to participate in teams of five or to watch the competition. Plac2BU will award cash prizes up to \$500.

AIDS Walk
 Student Global AIDS Campaign in will host an AIDS Walk from 9:30 a.m. to noon Saturday to raise money for AIDS charities. Participants will meet on the corner of South First Street and Bagby Avenue.

International Students Day
 Celebrate International Student Day from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in the Bill Daniel Student Center basement. Get to know other international students over free pizza, drinks and games.

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13-year old dies in gym class

The Associated Press

DALLAS — An overweight 13-year-old boy has died after running sprints and doing drills called a "suicide" for about 30 minutes in gym class.

A fellow classmate at T.W. Browne Middle School in South Dallas said that while they were all struggling with the exercise Wednesday, it was especially hard on 240-pound Neri Hernandez.

"He started running and the last suicide he did, that was when he hit the wall and fell," Stephanie Molina, a fellow classmate, told Dallas television station WFAA. "He started shaking. His eyes were white. He got brown foam coming out of his mouth."

"All we saw was tears coming out from his eyes," Molina said.

After Hernandez had previously passed out during exercise, his family had noted that in a school form.

The Dallas school district said the form the family filled out applies to sports and not the physical education class.

DISD officials said they are investigating the death.



Henry Chan/Lariat staff

The Baylor kickoff team closes in on a Kansas State returner during last week's 17-3 victory. The Bears look to push their season winning streak to two games and their Big 12 winning streak to three with a victory over the University of Colorado on Saturday. The Buffaloes are 0-5 on the season, but they've played competitively against nationally ranked teams.

SPORTS BRIEFS

All-American invitation
Baylor women's tennis players Zuzana Cerna and Zuzana Zemenova were both invited to the All-American tournament at the Riviera Tennis Club in Pacific Palisades, Calif. The tournament began on Thursday and will continue through Sunday. The nation's top 14 players, including Cerna (No. 14) and Zemenova (No. 4), are participating in the tournament. Also competing this weekend are Baylor's Iva Mihaylova, Jana Bielikova and Zuzana Chmelarova. The three Baylor women's players will compete in the Rice Invitational today through Sunday in Houston.

Soccer to face Nebraska
The Lady Bears soccer team plays its second consecutive Big 12 road game at 7 p.m. today when it takes on the Nebraska Lady Huskers (6-3-3, 1-2-1) in Lincoln, Neb. The Lady Bears are coming off two Big 12 victories, which they secured last weekend by a combined score of 6-0.

2007 football schedule
The Baylor football team completed its 2007 schedule Tuesday by agreeing to a home and home series with the Buffalo University Bulls. The Bears will travel to Buffalo for a Sept. 22 game next season, and the Bulls will come to Waco in 2010. In addition to its usual slate of Big 12 South games, Baylor plays TCU, Kansas and Kansas State away and Texas State and Rice at home. The Bears will face Texas Tech for the an away homecoming game on Nov. 3.

Keeper awarded
After winning the Big 12's defensive player of the week award twice in three weeks, Baylor soccer goalkeeper Ashley Holder was named to SoccerBuzz Magazine's National Elite Team of the Week on Tuesday. This marks the second time she's been named to a national team in her career. She earned the award once her freshman year, 2005.

Bears hope to prolong Buffalo losing streak

By Daniel Youngblood
Sports editor

With the Baylor football team's 17-3 victory over Kansas State last Saturday, the team won consecutive Big 12 games for the first time in the league's history. The Bears will try to extend their conference winning streak to three games this weekend when they travel to Boulder, Colo., to take on a winless University of Colorado team. The Buffaloes enter Saturday's game with an 0-5 record, but you wouldn't know that by listening Baylor head Coach Guy Morriss. "Once our kids look at the tapes, they're going to see that these kids are good athletes, and they are well-coached," Morriss said. "So we better not go up there and think that we have a stroll in the park."

While Colorado holds an 8-5 lead in the all-time series between the two teams, Baylor has many reasons to be optimistic heading into this year's meeting. Baylor won the last match-up, upsetting Colorado 42-30 at home in 2003. Three years later, a Baylor win wouldn't be nearly as unexpected. The Colorado offense has struggled this season, averaging just 9.8 points per game. That's good for 114th in the nation. When taken into account that

Weekly Big 12



Game	Youngblood	Parchman	McGuire	Daniel
Baylor @ Colorado	BU 21-13	BU 13-9	BU 21-17	BU 24-10
Texas @ Oklahoma	UT 38-28	UT 31-14	UT 35-24	UT 26-17
A&M @ Kansas	KU 31-24	A&M 27-21	A&M 31-21	KU 28-24
Missouri @ Texas Tech	Tech 35-27	Tech 35-31	Tech 31-24	Tech 35-31
Nebraska @ Iowa State	NU 34-17	NU 34-10	NU 37-21	OSU 28-20
Ok. State @ Kansas St.	OSU 28-17	OSU 24-7	OSU 24-17	OSU 20-17
Last week's record	5-1	5-1	5-1	6-0
Overall record	25-5	24-6	25-5	23-7

Baylor's defense has allowed just 14.8 points per game, the Buffaloes' anemic offense could have more trouble on the horizon. Baylor defensive captain C.J. Wilson said he's looking forward to the game. "I tell people all the time that I think we have one of the best defenses in the country," Wilson said. "This is just another place for us to prove that."

Baylor may also hold a match-up advantage on offense. Colorado's defense has done an excellent job of stopping the run this season, allowing just 80.2 yards per game on the ground. But the team has struggled stopping the pass, where it checks in at 10th in the Big 12, giving up 240.4 yards per game. Colorado also has allowed a Big 12-high 10 passing touchdowns. That's good news for a Baylor team with the 12th-ranked passing offense in the nation. While the Bears will try to exploit Colorado's weaknesses in the passing game, they'll also attempt to revive a rushing at-

Lady Bears face No. 11 Longhorns

By Brittany McGuire
Sports writer

Not having made an appearance at the NCAA tournament since 2001, Lady Bears volleyball players know this year is their best chance to receive an at-large bid to postseason play. However, the team must first focus on its season, having lost its last three matches to Big 12 and top-25 opponents. This begins with No. 11 University of Texas tonight in Austin. After being swept by No. 25 University of Oklahoma on Wednesday (27-30, 25-30, 21-30), the team has just one day to rest before traveling to Austin to face the Longhorns. Despite the loss, head Coach Jim Barnes said he saw some good things happening. "We didn't pass or hit well enough at key points in the game," he said. "We outgung the top digging team in the conference. But overall no one really played at their best." The last time Baylor beat Texas was a 3-2 home victory on Oct. 27, 2001. Barnes said it will take a big effort to beat the Longhorns on their home court. "We have to serve and pass very aggressively," he said. "When we're steady, we're able to stay with teams and beat them." Barnes said the team is working on keeping its hitting errors

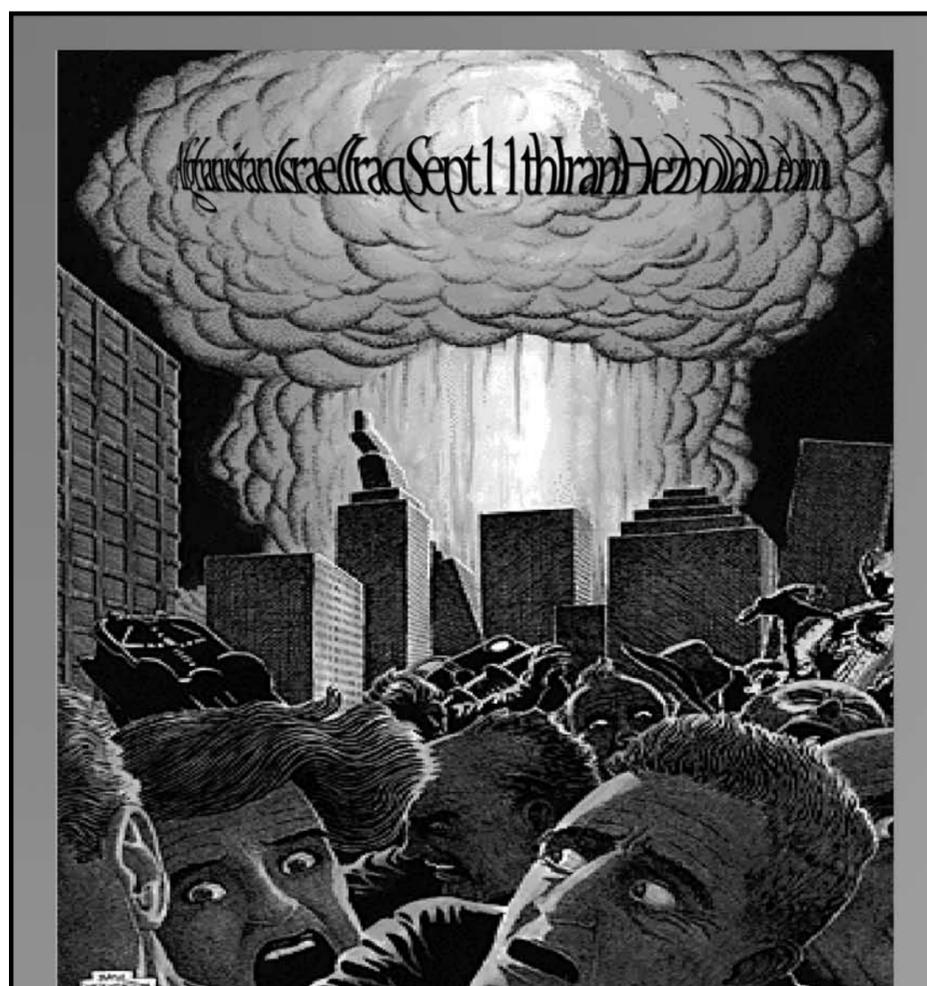


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The volleyball team celebrates after winning a point Saturday in its match against Nebraska.

to the minimum. He said when the team has kept the hitting errors to five or fewer per game, the Lady Bears have come away with the match. The team has a 6-1 record at home but has struggled on the road, especially in Big 12 play. The Lady Bears have fallen to Iowa State University, No. 17 University of Missouri and Oklahoma, drawing their conference record to 2-4. However, senior outside hitter Nicole LeBlanc said there's still a strong chance for the team to receive an at-large bid to the tournament. She also said if a team wins close to 20 matches or finishes in the top six or sev-

en teams in the Big 12, there's a good chance it can move on to post-season play. "Last year we were just two to three wins away, and we weren't far off from our record now," she said. "It just depends on how everything falls in conference play." Senior middle blocker Desiree Guilliard-Young, now in her fifth year with the Lady Bears, knows a team can sometimes get stuck in a losing streak. However, she's confident the team will pull through with a win. "It's all mental. It depends on your mindset and how determined you are," Guilliard-Young said. "I have faith that we'll bounce back." The Lady Bears (13-5, 2-4) have 14 matches still to play after tonight, so the players are keeping positive attitudes about their chance at making it to the tournament. But they said they know they're going to have to start winning these crucial matches down the stretch. The Lady Bears will return home Oct. 11 for the first of two matches against Texas A&M University this season. Players said they're especially looking forward to this rivalry. "Any Texas school is always a personal rivalry," Guilliard-Young said. "Their names usually have more hype, but we can and deserve to play with them."



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COLLEGE COOKING CONNECTION

By Kelly Coleman

If college students are what they eat, then most would be made up of oatmeal cream pies and Dr Pepper.

But making a decent meal or snack would be a little bit easier if students powered up one of the many recipe Web sites that pop out a list of possible meals using the ingredients you have on hand.

We set out to see what could be made using the food a typical college student has in his or her kitchen, with *Lariat* staffers serving as guinea pigs.

We rummaged the cupboards and refrigerators of sports writer Will Parchman, copy desk chief Gretchen Blackburn and staff writer Analiz González, and the end results were more than edible.

We've chronicled the entire process below, including last-minute ingredient substitutions, so you can see how a ready-to-eat meal is only a peek in the fridge and a click away.

Cookin' With Google



Chef: Will Parchman, sports writer

Web site: <http://www.researchbuzz.org/wp/tools/cookin-with-google/>

Ingredients on hand: Pancake mix, red plum

Will said he spent \$100 on groceries a few days before our trial, so we expected a fully stocked kitchen. What Will failed to mention was his \$100 mostly bought frozen and ready-to-eat meals.

He did have a piece of fruit in his crisper that he wanted to get rid of, so we found some pancake mix in his cupboard and searched for a recipe using fruit and pancakes.

Recipe: Fruit and nut pancakes

1 cup pancake mix
3/4 cup of water
handful of chopped nuts
diced fruit

Combine pancake mix and water in bowl. Mix thoroughly. Add chopped nuts and diced fruit.

Heat a skillet over medium heat. Pour about 1/3 cup of the batter per pancake onto the skillet. Cook until bubbles begin to form in the center, then flip and cook until browned on the other side.

Top with diced fruit.

Our take:

The plum fit the bill for the fruit, but the nuts were a bit harder. We used a snack pack of trail mix since we didn't have any chopped nuts. As an added bonus, the trail mix had raisins and M&Ms in it.

Will didn't know pancakes were cooked in a pan and tried to spread it out on a baking sheet, but we scraped it off and slapped in the pan.

Verdict: Well, Will ate it. But the trail mix made it a bit salty. "It has this fruity taste, but it's not normal," he said. "My brain is telling me something is not right."

Score: 5/10

iVillage Recipe Finder



Chef: Analiz González, staff writer

Web site: <http://home.ivillage.com/cooking/recipes/recipefinder>

Ingredients on hand: Peanut butter, eggs

Analiz had a huge jar of peanut butter in her cabinet and a dozen fresh eggs, so we were thinking of an easy, quick snack we could use with these ingredients.

Recipe: Peanut butter cookies

1 cup peanut butter
1 cup of sugar
1 teaspoon of vanilla
1 egg

Combine all ingredients in bowl and mix well. Put small balls of dough onto ungreased cookie sheet.

Use fork tines to make criss-cross marks in each ball and flatten. Cook at 350 degrees until brown (about 10 to 15 minutes). Cooking time varies in each oven.

Our take:

Analiz said thought she had sugar in her pantry, but she didn't. So she decided to make friends and went next door to borrow a cup from her neighbor.

Then, when we were putting all the ingredients together, she realized she didn't have vanilla. So we used about 2 tablespoons of honey instead. Even with this modification, we were optimistic the cookies would turn out OK.

Verdict: Amazing. The cookies baked to the perfect consistency: soft, but not too gooey.

The honey added an extra hint of sweetness to the treat that enhanced the overall flavor. Honey is definitely worth adding to future recipes.

"This is a perfect snack to make if you're having a couple of friends over," Analiz said. "It's an easy recipe for something quick to make for a small group."

Score: 9.5/10

Southern Living Kitchen Assistant



Chef: Gretchen Blackburn, copy desk chief

Web site: <http://www.southernliving.com/southern/foods>

Ingredients on hand: Pasta, cheese, pasta sauce and frozen vegetables

Gretchen's kitchen was stocked with plenty of tasty ingredients. She had six different kinds of cheese in her refrigerator. We zeroed in on her collection of frozen vegetables, all in various stages of use. She also had a package of pre-made tortellini shells with the sauce to go with it, so we attempted to find a pasta-inspired recipe.

Recipe: Vegetable pasta

2 cups pasta
1/2 cup pasta sauce
1 cup assorted vegetables
1/8 cup shredded cheese

Cook and drain pasta. Bring pasta sauce to simmer. Grill various vegetables (squash, zucchini, onion). Place vegetables on top of cooked pasta and cover with sauce. Top with shredded cheese.

Our take:

The grilled vegetables were out of the question, so we heated some of Gretchen's frozen vegetables in the microwave. We chose the veggies that seemed to go together the most, which were peas, corn and broccoli. We saved the green beans and carrots for another day.

Verdict: Not a bad turnout. Gretchen's fiancé, Jonathan Sparling, was the taste-tester, and he ate most of it. "I'd eat this if Gretchen made it again," he said.

Score: 8/10



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